THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR): (a) The socially and educationally backward sections among the minorities have been included in the Central List of Other Backward Classes as per recommendations of the National Commission for Backward Classes. No data regarding number of backward class people among minorities is available, as no separate enumeration for backward classes has yet been conducted;

(b) The Ministry is implementing various schemes for the economic and educational development of minorities. Details are available on the Ministry's website: www.socialjustice.nic.in

(c) A National Commission has been set up to see how best the welfare of socially and economically backward sections among religious and linguistic minorities, including reservations in education and government employment can be enhanced.

Review of Tenth Five Year Plan by UGC

†*19. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the University Grants Commission has completed a review of the Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, when was it completed and the period of the plan which was included in the review;

(c) the facts regarding achievements of the targets set under the plan;

(d) whether any recommendations have been made regarding improvement in its implementation in future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.